



PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 5, 2014

7:00 p.m.

A Public Hearing concerning Ordinance 956 Tax Credits  
AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY PROVIDED BY THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE TITLE 6 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015 ON EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF ASSESSABLE REAL PROPERTY, PERSONAL PROPERTY; AND PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL SPECIAL TAX LEVIED WITHIN THE CRITICAL AREA SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT AND SETTING THE SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE SEMI-ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT OPTION.

A public hearing was called to order at 7:00 p.m concerning Ordinance 956. No comments were noted. The public hearing was closed at 7:01.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order on May 5, 2014 at 7:01p.m. with Mayor Dougherty presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Councilmember's, Craig, Martin Smith, Glenn, Corrieri and Cullum. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Wayne H. Dougherty and the opening prayer was given by Mayor Wayne Dougherty.

A motion was made by Councilmember Corrieri and seconded by Councilmember Cullum to approve the Council meeting minutes of April 21, 2014; motion carries 6-0

**RECOGNITIONS:**

Student of the Month recognitions were presented to:  
Havre de Grace Elementary School; Brooke Pedersen  
Meadowvale Elementary School; Maggie Kilmon  
Havre de Grace Middle; Liam Maurice  
Havre de Grace High School; Jacob Kirby

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

Mayor Dougherty presented the Proclamations to the following:  
Youth of the Year, Zayrron Blake was presented a Proclamation and a Key to the City.  
A Proclamation was presented to Mr. Ronald Wooden; Interim Principal of Havre de Grace Elementary School  
Student Maggie Kilmon took the honor to accept the Proclamation for Arbor Day 2014  
The Chief of Police was presented a Proclamation for National Police Week

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**OATH OF OFFICE:** None

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

Mr. Joe Kochenderfer: Tydings Road; Supports Ordinance 955

**RESOLUTIONS:**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AND CITY CHARTER SECTION 34 ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING A LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FROM THE MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ACER EXHIBITS AND EVENTS, LLC ("ACER") PURSUANT TO THE MARYLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FUND, SECTION 5-319 OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND ("LOAN"), TO ASSIST ACER IN THE RELOCATION OF ITS BELCAMP OPERATIONS TO THE CITY OF HAVRE DE GRACE AT 1601 CLARK ROAD.

A motion was made by Council President Craig and seconded by Councilmember Corrieri to introduce Resolution 2014-03; motion carries 6-0. After the header was read and assigned a number, a motion was made by Councilmember Glenn and seconded by Councilmember Martin to adopt Resolution 2014-03. Motion carries 6-0

**ORDINANCES:**

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE XI-E OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND AND ARTICLE 23A OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AND SECTION 37 OF THE CITY CHARTER AND CITY CODE CHAPTER 196 WATER AND SEWER RATES, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING THE CITY WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015 AS APPEARS IN CITY CODE CHAPTER 196 AND EXHIBIT A THERETO; AND SETTING FORTH THE BASIC RATE CHARGED FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE FOR FISCAL YEARS JULY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016; AND JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017.

A motion was made by Councilmember Cullum and seconded by Councilmember Corrieri to introduce Ordinance 955 on second reading. Motion carries 6-0; after the header was read into the record, a motion was made by Councilmember Cullum and seconded by Council President Craig to adopt Ordinance 955. Under the question, a motion was made by Councilmember Cullum and seconded by Councilmember Corrieri to make the following editorial amendments:

Page 2 Section B 4<sup>th</sup> line; add "of water" after gallons.

Page 2 Section B 5<sup>th</sup> line; add "of water" after gallons

Page 2 Section B 7<sup>th</sup> line; add "water" after 1,000 of

Page 2 Section C 3<sup>rd</sup> line; add "sewer" after City

Page 2 Section C 4<sup>th</sup> line; add "of water" after gallons

Page 2 Section C 6<sup>th</sup> line; add "sewer" after City

Page 2 Section C 7<sup>th</sup> line; add "of water" after gallons

Motion carries 6-0

After discussion on the Dias, a motion was made by Councilmember Corrieri and seconded by Cullum to table Ordinance 955 as amended: Motion carries 6-0 on roll vote to table Ordinance 955 as amended.

**UNFINISHED OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Jim Newby; Director of Administration

Mr. Jim Newby is not present and Mayor Dougherty made his comments. Americorp was in the City working on different projects through DPW. The Lighthouse, Lockhouse and Joe K trail were some areas they assisted the City.

Mr. Neal Mills; Director of Planning

Mr. Mills reminded citizens to comply with the property maintenance Ordinance.

Mr. George DeHority; Director of Finance

Mr. DeHority had no comments.

Mr. Larry Parks; Director of Public Works

Mr. Parks advised the public that Harford County has proposed a road closing committee concerning Bryan Rd. Mr. Parks will be writing a letter stating the City of Havre de Grace would like Bryan Road turned over to the City. Council President Craig would like Mr. Parks to meet with Councilmember Glenn, Councilmember Corrieri and Mr. Ishak concerning Bryan Road. Mr. Parks stated MDE sent a letter stating we were in compliance with reporting sewerage over spill during the last storm as required.

Chief Teresa Walter; Chief of Police

Chief Walter thanked many organizations for assistance during the rain storm last week. Chief Walter advised citizens to be aware of different routes to their home in the event that roads are closed because of a weather event.

**Business from Mayor Dougherty:**

Mayor Dougherty read the Third Quarter Financial Results.

A motion was made by Council President Craig and seconded by Councilmember Corrieri to approve the appointment of Mr. Thomas Lofland- Director of Economic Development; Motion carries 5-1 with Councilmember Smith opposing the motion.

Mayor Dougherty gave an update on the City's exposure through our social media.

Mayor Dougherty announced the Welcome Home Packet to Council to welcome all new citizens.

**Business from Council:**

**Councilmember Smith:**

Councilmember Smith stated this will be his last meeting.

Mr. Smith recognized the students that were recognized this evening.

Mr. Smith thanked the Citizens for their support during his time on Council.

Councilmember Smith reflected on his accomplishments while on Council.

**Councilmember Cullum:**

Councilmember Cullum thanked Councilmember Smith for his time on Council.  
Councilmember Cullum commented on the Water and Sewer and how it's affecting the General Fund. This situation is serious and he looking forward to seeing positive means to overcome this problem.

**Councilmember Correrri:**

Councilmember Correrri attended the Arbor View ceremony with Mayor Dougherty.  
Councilmember Correrri extends condolences' to Ms. Peters for the passing of her father.  
Mr. Correrri congratulated Officer Crouch who recently retired from the HDG PD and currently holds the Assistant Chief position at 5-9.  
Mr. Correrri commends EMS and Law Enforcement and SHCO for their efforts during the storms.  
Councilmember Correrri stated the SHCO has many members with pro-board certifications.  
Councilmember Correrri welcomed Mr. Tom Lofland.  
Mr. Correrri wished his wife Linda a very Happy Birthday.

**Councilmember Glenn:**

Councilmember Glenn commends the SHCO for their response during the storms last week.  
Mr. Glenn attended the Women's 5K By the Bay.  
Councilmember Glenn stated the Street and Traffic Advisory Board met last week.  
Councilmember Glenn asked all citizens to be careful and mindful of pedestrians near the Harris Field.  
Mr. Glenn attended the Board of Education Meeting where the budget was a hot topic.  
Councilmember Glenn extended his condolences to Ms. Peters for the passing of her father.  
Councilmember Glenn extended his condolences to the family of Warner Taylor.  
Councilmember Glenn stated there will be a meeting this week with the Route 40 Ad Hoc Committee and with URS and looks forward to a positive outcome  
Mr. Glenn congratulated the HHS Softball Team and wishes them the best in the semifinals.  
Mr. Glenn extended congratulations to Taylor Glassman for being inducted to the National Honor Society

**Councilmember Martin:**

Councilmember Martin extended condolences to Ms. Peters for the loss of her father.  
Mr. Martin stated the information for the HDG License Plate is on our website.  
Councilmember Martin is concerned about the Water and Sewer Ordinance and is dedicated to finding a way so the citizens are not affected.  
Councilmember Martin reflected on the decision of the Chief Justice.

**Council President Craig:**

Council President Craig stated a budget work session will be held on May 14 @ 6:30.  
Council President Craig stated that he is proud to be a Havre de Grace Native.

**Comments from Citizens:**

Bob Robinson: Said a prayer for the late Warner Taylor.  
Tim Wills; Executive Director of the Boys and Girls Club open house will be held on May 29<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 located at the Activity Center on Lewis Lane.

A motion was made by Councilmember Correrri and seconded by Councilmember Glenn to adjourn at 9:40 pm; motion carries 6-0